

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY	DOCKET NO. WRU-99-36-156
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ORDER GRANTING WAIVERS

(Issued October 5, 1999)

On September 7, 1999, MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican) filed with the Utilities Board (Board) a request for waiver of the portion of IOWA ADMIN. CODE 199-31.3 (1999) that requires MidAmerican to file on or before June 30 of each year verified copies of all new contracts, arrangements or other similar transactions, or modifications or amendments thereto, between MidAmerican and an affiliate made or entered into on or after July 1 of the prior year. MidAmerican requested that it be allowed to make its filing on or before August 31 of each year.

In addition, MidAmerican asked for a waiver of the third ordering paragraph in the Board's "Order Terminating Docket" issued March 11, 1999, in Docket No. SPU-98-8. This ordering clause requires MidAmerican to file copies of, among other things, royalty agreements between MidAmerican and any affiliate for the purpose of compensating MidAmerican or its affiliate for the use of intangible assets. No objections to the waiver requests were filed.

In support of its waiver requests, MidAmerican said the June 30 filing date requires MidAmerican to make two filings because books and records for the

accounting period ending on June 30 are not complete until sometime after the rule 31.3 filing is complete. MidAmerican's practice has therefore been to supplement its June 30 filing by the end of August of each year.

MidAmerican's request for waiver of ordering clause number 3 of the Board's March 11, 1999, order in Docket No. SPU-98-8 is related to the rule 31.3 annual filing. MidAmerican states the information required by ordering clause number 3 is duplicative of information MidAmerican files annually pursuant to rule 31.3.

The Board will grant the waiver request to extend MidAmerican's rule 31.3 filing deadline to August 31 of each year. The extension will eliminate the supplemental filing and allow the information to be presented to the Board in one report. This waiver will apply to the current year's filing and to future rule 31.3 filings unless otherwise ordered by the Board.

The Board will also grant the request to waive ordering clause number 3 of the Docket No. SPU-98-8 order terminating docket, at least to the extent the information required by this paragraph is filed pursuant to rule 31.3. The Board does not need the same information filed twice. However, if there is information covered by ordering clause number 3 that is not part of an annual rule 31.3 filing, MidAmerican will be required to file this information pursuant to the ordering clause.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

The request for waivers filed by MidAmerican Energy Company on September 7, 1999, are granted to the extent discussed in this order.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Allan T. Thoms

/s/ Susan J. Frye

ATTEST:

/s/ Raymond K. Vawter, Jr.
Executive Secretary

/s/ Diane Munns

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 5th day of October, 1999.